

Permit To Modify Archery Equipment  
(PTMAE)

How to Apply?

Who can apply?

To qualify for PTMAE, the applicant--resident or nonresident--must be certified by a licensed physician (M.D. or D.O.) and must meet at least one of the following **permanent** medical conditions:

- Amputation involving 4 fingers at the proximal interphalangeal joint, wrist, elbow or shoulder.
- Spinal cord injury at the level of T-1 or above, resulting in permanent disability of at least 80% to a hand, wrist, arm or shoulder.
- Muscle weakness resulting in a permanent disability of the muscles of the shoulder, arm and back used in drawing and holding a bow.
- Impaired range of of motion of the shoulder, elbow or wrist that would prohibit the applicant from raising and holding a bow in the horizontal position
- Coordination deficit. (See application for specific details)

How much does it cost?

No charge.

When and where can I get the permit?

This permit is available throughout the license year, beginning March 1.

This permit is only available from a MFWP office.

What does PTMAE entitle me to do?

The PTMAE allows a person with a disability to use modified archery tackle that supports the bow, and draws, holds and releases the string to accommodate the individual disability (arrows, however, are not exempt, and still need to meet current requirements for the archery season as defined in the annual regulations). **Crossbows may not be used during the archery season.**

The **PTMAE** application is available from any MFWP office, by calling 406-444-2535 or print the application from our website at [www.fwp.mt.gov](http://www.fwp.mt.gov).

1. The application must be completely and correctly filled out.
2. All applicants applying for this permit must be certified by a licensed physician (M.D. or D.O.) as meeting the criteria listed on the current application.
3. Return the signed application to any MFWP office for certification. Eligible applicants will be issued:
  - a) *a wallet card*, which must be carried on their person and used with their **current year's archery and hunting license**,
  - b) *specific guidelines* regarding **PTMAE**. Permit-holders may be required to have a companion to assist in aspects of the hunt such as bow set-up and transporting the game animal(s) accompanied by a companion who is able to assist in immediately dispatching, field dressing and retrieving any game animal(s).

Definition of a Montana Resident:

(For the purpose of purchasing a Montana hunting, fishing or trapping license.) A person who has physically lived in Montana for at least 180 consecutive days (six months) immediately before purchasing any resident license; has filed Montana state income tax returns as a resident if they are required to file; has registered their vehicles in Montana; if they are registered to vote, they are registered in Montana; and they may not possess or apply for any resident hunting, fishing or trapping privileges in any other state or country. Once you have established your residency, you must continue to meet all these requirements and physically reside in Montana as your principal or primary place of abode for not less than 120 days per year (days need not be consecutive). See MCA 87-2-102 for complete definition. Call your local Fish, Wildlife & Parks office if you have questions

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Information on:

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- Permit to Hunt From a Vehicle
- Permit to Modify Archery Equipment



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## Resident with a Disability Conservation License

### How to Apply?

#### Who can apply?

To qualify for this license, the applicant must be a **legal resident of Montana** and must be certified as permanently disabled by a physician (M.D. or D.O.) licensed to practice in Montana.

A person is eligible for the Resident with a Disability Conservation License if the person is:

(i) A person whose disability has been medically determined to be permanent and substantial, and resulting in significant impairment of the person's functional ability and specifically includes amputations, blindness, cancer, cerebral palsy, cystic fibrosis, deafness, heart disease, hemiplegia, respiratory or pulmonary dysfunction, mental retardation, mental illness, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, neurological disorders (including stroke and epilepsy), paraplegia, quadriplegia, other spinal cord conditions, and renal failure OR; (ii) a person who, because of lack of social competence, mobility, experience, skills, training or other successful characteristics, is in need of and is receiving sheltered employment or work activities services in a protective setting.

**How much does it cost?**  
\$8.00

#### When and where can I buy the license?

Once certified through Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (MFWP), your annual conservation license may be purchased at any MFWP office, MFWP authorized license provider or through our website at [www.fwp.mt.gov](http://www.fwp.mt.gov) - Online Licensing.

#### What does a Resident with a Disability Conservation License entitle me to?

##### The license includes:

-Conservation, Upland Game Bird, Fishing, Warm Water Fish, State Waterfowl

##### and entitles you to purchase:

-Deer A - \$6.50

-Elk - \$8.00

-1/2 price overnight camping fees at Montana State Parks

#### The Resident with a Disability

**Conservation License** application is available from any MFWP office, by calling 406-444-2535 or print the application from our website at [www.fwp.mt.gov](http://www.fwp.mt.gov).

1. **Section 1 of the application must be completely and correctly filled out.** This includes providing your physical address. MCA 87-2-106 requires the applicant to provide a physical address - your application cannot be processed if you list only your post office box.

2. **You must submit a photocopy of your valid Montana driver's license or valid Montana identification card with your application if applying by mail.** If you purchase your license in person, you must present a valid Montana driver's license or valid Montana identification card. (MCA 87.2.106 ).

3. **Section 2 of the application must be certified by a physician (M.D. or D.O.) licensed to practice in Montana that your disability meets MFWP eligibility requirements.**

4. **Return your application by mail or in person** to any MFWP office. If applying by mail, be sure to enclose your payment of \$8.00 in the form of a money order, personal or cashier's check.

**Note: A physician's certification will not be required each year.**

## Permit to Hunt From a Vehicle (PTHV)

### How to Apply?

#### Who can apply?

To qualify for this permit, the applicant--resident or nonresident --must be capable of holding and firing legal firearms, without assistance from other persons. The applicant also must be certified by a licensed physician (M.D. or D.O.) and must meet at least one of the following **permanent** medical conditions:

##### **Permanently** dependent on:

- an oxygen device, wheelchair, crutch, or cane for mobility;
- is an amputee above the wrist or ankle;
- be unable to walk, unassisted, 600 yards over rough and broken ground while carrying 15 pounds within 1 hour AND be unable to handle and maneuver up to 25 pounds.

#### How much does it cost?

No charge.

#### When and where can I get the permit?

This permit is available throughout the license year, beginning March 1.

This permit is only available from MFWP offices.

#### What does PTHV entitle me to do?

The PTHV authorizes the permit-holder to hunt from a vehicle **wherever vehicular traffic is allowed and permission to hunt is authorized.** The permit **DOES NOT** provide any automatic waiver or exemption from travel restrictions imposed by a private landowner or land management agency, except on state school trust lands as provided for under ARM 36.25.149. Any such waiver or exemption from travel restrictions must be specifically granted by the private landowner or land management agency. Some restrictions do apply and permit-holders will receive specific guidelines regarding **PTHV**.

The **PTHV permit application** is available from any MFWP office, by calling 406-444-2535 or print the application from our website at [www.fwp.mt.gov](http://www.fwp.mt.gov).

1. The application must be completely and correctly filled out.

2. All applicants applying for this permit must be certified by a licensed physician (M.D. or D.O.) as meeting the criteria listed on the current application. This is necessary to ensure all holders of this permit comply with MCA 87-2-803.

3. Return the signed application to any MFWP office for certification. Eligible applicants will be issued :

a) *a wallet card*, which must be carried on their person and used with their **current year's hunting license**,

b) *four hunter orange placards* that **must** be clearly displayed on the front, rear, and both sides of the vehicle from which they are hunting,

c) *specific guidelines* regarding **PTHV**. Permit-holders **must** be accompanied by a companion who is able to assist in immediately dispatching, field dressing and retrieving any game animal wounded or killed.

